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. Advisory Action	Application No.	Applicant(s)
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-The MAILING DATE of this communication appe	ears on the cover sheet with the c	orrespondence address
THE REPLY FILED 08 June 2004 FAILS TO PLACE TH Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1 condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appea Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.	void abandonment of this applica ) a timely filed amendment whicl	ation. A proper reply to a name of the places the application in
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a) The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this a no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire on the control of the co	Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing	g date of the final rejection.
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1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.		
2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:		
(a) ⊠ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);		
(b) they raise the issue of new matter (see Note b	pelow);	
(c)  they are not deemed to place the application issues for appeal; and/or	n better form for appeal by mate	rially reducing or simplifying the
(d) they present additional claims without cancel	ng a corresponding number of fi	nally rejected claims.
NOTE: see note 2.		
3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following reject	tion(s):	•
4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would canceling the non-allowable claim(s).	be allowable if submitted in a se	eparate, timely filed amendment
5. ☑ The a) ☐ affidavit, b) ☐ exhibit, or c) ☑ request for application in condition for allowance because: see		dered but does NOT place the
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered becaused by the Examiner in the final rejection.	ause it is not directed SOLELY t	o issues which were newly
7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment explanation of how the new or amended claims we	· · · · · ·	
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:		
Claim(s) allowed:		
Claim(s) objected to:		
Claim(s) rejected: all.		
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration:		
8. The drawing correction filed on is a) app	roved or b) disapproved by the	he Examiner.
9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statemen	nt(s)( PTO-1449) Paper No(s).	
10.⊠ Other: <u>see note 10</u>	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	

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ontinuation of note 2: Applicants' amendments to the claims, alters the scope of the invention previously examined and searched. Such amendments necessitate a NEW SEARCH (e.g., the broadening of the scope of claim 1 at least). Such is not performed at the resent time juncture under present USPTO practice. If applicant desires such a scope, then the examiner strongly recommends the ling of an RCE to ensure a proper search with respect to the new broaden scope.

to to 5 continued: Applicant's arguments are not persuasive, especially because the amendments to the claims have not been entered. Furthermore, with respect to the arguments focusing upon the wobble frequency with respect to generating of the clock, it is noted that he claims imply such a reproduction and that because the primary reference is drawn to an a/v recorder, the examiner has interpreted such as a dvd formated signal. As acknowledged by applicant such dvd formats include the wobble signal presence and detection. As is snown such detection is required in order to insure not only proper motor control but also used in order to generate the clock signal(s) for both recording and reproducing.

Note 10 coninued: With respect to the newly submitted drawings and disclosure thereto, the examiner has cursory reviewed such, and has not been able to conclude whether such is new matter or not. This would required more than a cursory review of the specification and claims and not performed/permitted at this stage of the prosecution under present USPTO practice. The examiner regrets such, nevertheless, such a review would entail an in depth review of the disclosure/claims. It does appear that such submissions do correct for the drawing objections.

With respect to the 112 objections, the amendments appear to overcome such, however, it is not clear whether such amendments would not further impact upon the dependent claims. The amendment to claim 1 does overcome the objections to claims 2-4.